is done through Indian News Agen- However, newspapers also obtain articles on a syndicated basis ' i'leir foreign contributors inclu-foreign newspapers as per the • aents with the principals con-

(c) Government has not issued any idelines for the terms and conditions to be. decided upon byj individual parties with 'their foreign contributors.

Punishment for addicts[peddlars

SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANI-CKSSt: Will, the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: ,

(a) whether it is a fad that ptpish-ment for drug addicts is mild in com" . son to that of drug peadlars;

(b) whether it is also a fact that many drug peddiars are released when they claim to be drug addicts; and

(c)the steps Government are taking to remove this lecunae?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRl JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to ic) According to the penal scheme envi saged under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, mild punishment. has been prescribed •for drug addict as compared to drug peddlars/trafTickers providedsuch addict was found at the time of his apprehension in possession of a quantity of drug, being within the "small itity" so specified by the Central Government under section 27 of the said Act and that he is able to prove-to the satisfaction of the court that the quantity of such drug was for his personal consumption and not inten-I for sale or distribution.*39* further envisages that the court where any addict is foundIty of an offence punishable^ undersection 27, having regard to the agecharacter antecedents or physical or mental condition of the offender is of the opinion that j_s expedient to do so, then it may instead of sentencing him at once to any imprison-ment_ with his consent direct that he •eleased for undergoing medical treatment for detoxification or de-diction from a hospital or an institution maintained or recognised by Government subject to his furnishing a bond in the- prescribe^ form for abstinence from the commission of any offence under the aforesaid Act.

Where the court is satisfied on the basis of the medical report, it may direct the release of the offender after due admonition and subject to execution of the prescribed bond for abstaining from the commission of the offence for such period not exceeding three years as the court may specify in this behalf. Such offender shall appea, - "before the court and receive the sentence, when called upon during such period, for failure to abstain from the commission of the said offence.

No report regarding any lacunae in the working of the aforesaid scheme has been brought to the notice of the government.

राजस्थान टेलीफोन इण्डस्ट्रीज द्वारा भिवानी में पुश बटन टेलीफोन इंस्ट्रूमेंट्स का निर्माण

2119. **श्रीमती रेणुका चौधरी** : क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क), क्या यह सच है कि राजस्थान टेलीफोन इंडस्ट्रीज लिमिटेड ने, जो राजस्थान राज्य औद्योगिक विकास और निवेश निगम का एक संयुक्त उद्यम संस्थान है, एक विदेशी संस्थान के सहयोग से हाईटेक पुश बटन टेलीफोन इन्स्ट्रूमेंट्स बनाने का निर्णय किया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह भी सच है कि इस संस्थान ने परियोजना की स्थापना हरियाणा में भिवानी में की है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(घ) निवानों में इन उद्योग को और कौन-कौन सी विशेष सुविधायें उपलब्ध हैं, ?

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा महासागर विकास परमाणु ऊर्जा, इलैक्ट्रानिकी, और अन्तरिक्ष विभागों में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के० आर० नारायणन) : (क) मैसर्स राजस्थान राज्य औद्योगिक विकास तथा पूंजी-निवेश निगम लिमिटेड द्वारा प्रवर्तित मैसर्स राजस्थान टेलीफोन उद्योग लिमिटेड, मानक एक संयुक्त क्षेत्र की कंपनी ने स्वीडन के मैसर्स एरिक्सान इन्फारमेशन सिस्टम्स के सहयोग से इलेक्ट्रानिक पुश बटन टेलीफोन उपकरणों का विनिर्माण करने का निर्णय किया है ।

(ख) यह औद्योगिक प्रतिष्ठान राजस्थान राज्य के अलवर जिले में भिवाडी नामक स्थान पर स्थापित किया गया है ।

(ग) और (घ) ये प्रश्न हो नहीं उठते ।

Eligibility of Sanskrit Pandit *in* All India Examination

0. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:

SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

Will (he PRIME MINISTER be pie;to refer to the answer to Starred Questiongiven m the Rajya Sabha on the 22nd-April, 1987 and state whether a tradi-lly qualified Sanskrit pandit would beed to appear in various All IndiaExaminations including that of IAS and onappointment whether he would get thestatus »and pay-scales as others get?

IE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNFX, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): The minimum educational qualification prescribed for admission to Civil. Services Examination, on the basis of which recruitment to the 'ive Service', the Indian Foreign. Service, the Indian Police Service, is degree of a University in- ' corporated by ah Act of the or State Legislature in India or other educa tional institutions. by aa Ap Parliament or declared to be deernc: a University under Stection 3 of the. Uni versity Grants Commission Act, 1956 or an equivalent qualification. If a Sanskrit pandit posse requisite qualifica tion I in the Civil Services Ex amination Rules, he would be eligible to compete for the said Examination and, if appointed, he'would be entitled, <o the same status and pay-scales a the other Officers of that sendee.

Projects over-run in cost and time

2121. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJ-PAYEE; Will the Minister of PROG-RAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleas-. ed to state:

(a) what is the number of Central and State Government, Projects which have over-run in cost and time; and

(b) what is the amount of cost overruns so involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PRO GRAMME. IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI SUKH RAM); (a) Ministry of Programme Implementation m. Central pro-jects costing Rs. 20 crores Gr more. As per information available with the Ministry of"Programme fa n. out of 293 projects under implementation as on 1, 12. 1986 188 projects have reported-cost over-run with reference to original sanctioned cost. 158 projects have shown time over-run with reference to original date of commissioning.

(b) Tnof cost over-run invol-vedtin these proje out Rs. 22, 813 crores.